

**SB0521**



**94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**State of Illinois**  
**2005 and 2006**  
**SB0521**

Introduced 2/17/2005, by Sen. Iris Y. Martinez

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

215 ILCS 5/356u

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Requires insurers to cover surveillance tests for ovarian cancer for female insureds who are at risk for ovarian cancer. Provides a definition for "at risk for ovarian cancer" and "surveillance tests for ovarian cancer". Effective January 1, 2006.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

STATE MANDATES  
ACT MAY REQUIRE  
REIMBURSEMENT

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning insurance.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by  
5 changing Section 356u as follows:

6 (215 ILCS 5/356u)

7 Sec. 356u. Pap tests and prostate-specific antigen tests.

8 (a) A group policy of accident and health insurance that  
9 provides coverage for hospital or medical treatment or services  
10 for illness on an expense-incurred basis and is amended,  
11 delivered, issued, or renewed after the effective date of this  
12 amendatory Act of 1997 shall provide coverage for all of the  
13 following:

14 (1) An annual cervical smear or Pap smear test for  
15 female insureds.

16 (2) An annual digital rectal examination and a  
17 prostate-specific antigen test, for male insureds upon the  
18 recommendation of a physician licensed to practice  
19 medicine in all its branches for:

20 (A) asymptomatic men age 50 and over;

21 (B) African-American men age 40 and over; and

22 (C) men age 40 and over with a family history of  
23 prostate cancer.

24 (3) Routine surveillance tests for ovarian cancer for  
25 female insureds who are at risk for ovarian cancer.

26 (b) This Section shall not apply to agreements, contracts,  
27 or policies that provide coverage for a specified disease or  
28 other limited benefit coverage.

29 (c) For the purposes of this Section:

30 "At risk for ovarian cancer" means:

31 (1) having a family history (i) with one or more first  
32 or second-degree relatives with ovarian cancer, (ii) of

1 clusters of women relatives with breast cancer, or (iii) of  
2 nonpolyposis colorectal cancer; or

3 (2) testing positive for BRCA1 or BRCA2 mutations.

4 "Surveillance tests for ovarian cancer" means annual  
5 screening using (i) CA-125 serum tumor marker testing, (ii)  
6 transvaginal ultrasound, (iii) pelvic examination, or (iv)  
7 other proven ovarian cancer screening tests currently being  
8 evaluated by the federal Food and Drug Administration or by the  
9 National Cancer Institute.

10 (Source: P.A. 90-7, eff. 6-10-97.)

11 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January  
12 1, 2006.